

Mount Olivet Lodge No. 203 44 Liberty Road Washington, ME 04574

Board of Selectmen Town of Washington P.O. Box 408 Washington, ME 04574

The officers and members of Mt. Olivet Lodge No. 203 invite you to attend the Open House and Dedication of the Reggie Upham Community Shelter at 11:00 am on Saturday, December 10, 2016.

After the passing of Reggie this past spring, the family asked that, in lieu of flowers, family and friends donate to the Lodge. Lodge members voted to recognize Reggie as a Past Master of the Lodge, and former selectman and firefighter by putting those donations to good use in the community. We determined that a good way to do this would be to establish a community shelter for use by the citizens of Washington during long term power outages.

Using a portion of funds donated in memory of Reggie as a match, we applied for and received a \$1,000 Community Betterment Grant from the Grand Lodge of Maine. Additionally, with your approval of Emergency Management Program Grant funds from the Town, we were able to purchase a portable generator and install a transfer switch to insure that the shelter will be available even when power is lost along the Liberty Road corridor.

With volunteers from the Lodge and other community groups, the shelter will provide a chance for citizens to get a hot meal and drink, to draw water for their use, and to charge their portable electronic devises. Over the next few weeks, exact details of the shelter program will be worked out with members of the Lodge shelter committee and "Kit" Lastoux, Local EMA Director.

We are inviting citizens of Washington to attend the Open House and Dedication along with Reggie's family. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine will also be attending. We hope you will join us as we bring a new asset to the town and recognize Reggie for his quiet, dedicated service to the community.

Edgar Moody, Master Mt. Olivet Lodge